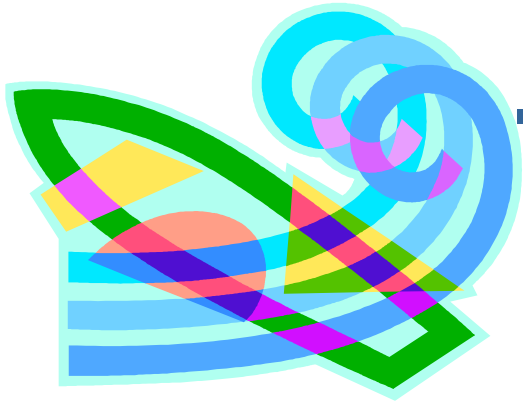


Environmental Quality Commission



2004 Annual
Meeting

EQC 2004 Year in Review

.....HIGHLIGHTS.....

- **Public participation** – More than 500 Kentuckians participated in EQC meetings, forums and events during 2004.
- **Recommendations** – EQC made 16 policy and 21 regulatory recommendations this year.
- **Outreach** – EQC reached an estimated 108,000 people through its newsletters and web site.
- **Trends Reporting** – EQC produced the state's first trends analysis on health and the environment.

Public Meeting Topics



- Children's Environmental Health
- Brownfields
- Science and State Decision-making
 - Biomarkers
- Public Participation
- Mercury
- Air Quality
 - New Source Review
 - Air toxics

EQC Public Forums



- Future of Kentucky's Forest Roundtable

- 65 attendance
- Report under development



- High Performance and Environmentally Healthy Schools

- Green Schools Committee created.

EQC Earth Day



- EQC awards Ceremony
 - 125 attendance
 - Governor Keynote
 - Wendell Berry Lifetime Service Award

- Coordinator for Statewide Earth Day Activities
 - Public Library Events
 - Press Conferences
 - Governor Camping Trip



EQC Special Projects



- Martin County Coal Slurry Spill EPA/Citizen/DOW Teleconference
 - Recommendation -- Citizen Technical Assistance Grant
 - Follow-up Tour of Wolf Creek
- Maxey Flats Follow-up Tour
 - Rep. Mike Denham

EQC Recommendations

- **Regulations**

- 20 regulations adopted
- 1 rejected

- **Policy Recommendations**

- Children's Environmental Health – Response from Sec. Holsinger
- Children's Partnership – awaiting response from Gov.
- DBNF Acquisition – awaiting response from Gov.
- Toxic Releases – awaiting response from Gov.
- Mercury – awaiting response from Gov.
- Martin Co. Coal Technical Assistance – awaiting response

- **Under Development**

- Forestry
- Public Participation
- Green Schools

EQC Trends Reporting



- Children's Environmental Health
 - Trends report and interactive CD-Rom
 - Press Conference
 - Recommendations
- Future of Kentucky's Forest
 - Trends report
- Environmental Indicators of the Month

EQC Public Outreach



- EQC Newsletter
 - 3,869 email
 - 3,054 mail
 - 120 messenger mail
- Inquiries
 - Responded to 181 inquiries
- Web Site
 - 101,000 visits

EQC Other Activities



- Conflict of Interest Standard
 - Recognition by Ethics Commission

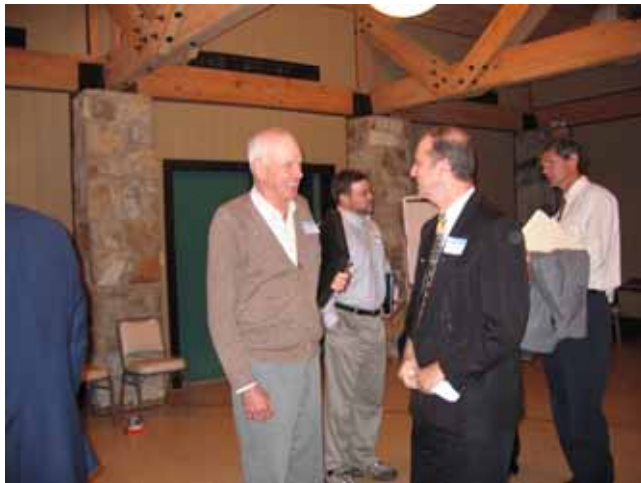
- Black Water Task Force
 - EQC member

- Energy Task Force
 - EQC Testimony

- Birth Defect Registry Board



EQC Mission



Serving As a Working
Public Forum for the
Exchange of Views,
Concerns, Ideas,
Information, and
Recommendations
Related to the Quality
of the Natural
Environment

KRS 224.01-110

EQC Goals

- Facilitate public discussion and resolution of environmental issues.
- Promote partnerships to improve and protect the environment.
- Monitor and report on environmental trends and conditions.
- Serve as an advisory board to state officials.

EQC Role Discussion

- State Environmental Priorities
- Function and Role of EQC
- EPPC/EQC working relationship
- Trends Reporting

EQC Budget History

Year	Personnel	Operating	Total
1993	\$139,000.00	\$36,600.00	\$175,600.00
1994	\$141,500.00	\$33,000.00	\$174,500.00
1995	\$148,100.00	\$33,000.00	\$181,100.00
1996	\$155,400.00	\$53,300.00	\$208,700.00
1997	\$166,100.00	\$44,800.00	\$210,900.00
1998	\$174,300.00	\$60,600.00	\$234,900.00
1999	\$182,500.00	\$68,600.00	\$251,100.00
2000	\$197,800.00	\$54,000.00	\$251,800.00
2001	\$171,800.00	\$62,200.00	\$234,000.00
2002	\$215,200.00	\$56,900.00	\$272,100.00
2002	\$215,200.00	\$37,800.00	\$253,000.00
2003	\$223,500.00	\$30,200.00	\$253,700.00
2004*	\$179,500.00*	\$40,900.00*	\$220,900.00*
2005	\$128,000.00**	\$22,000.00**	\$150,000.00**
2006	\$128,000.00**	\$22,000.00**	\$150,000.00**

*no general funds appropriated. One-time restricted agency funds obtained.

** Spending plan.

EQC Budget Status

- Current status (FY 2005)
 - 87% of total budget spent
 - 93% of travel budget spent
 - 91% of salaries spent\
 - Total \$150,000

- Estimated Needs
 - \$19,900 operating
 - \$54,900 personnel
 - Difference \$74,800 for a total of \$224,800

EQC 2005 Priorities

- Follow-up recommendations
 - Children's Environmental Health
 - Mercury
 - Martin County Slurry Spill
 - Forestry
 - Public Participation

EQC 2005 Priorities

- Meeting Topics
- Public Forums/Roundtables
- Environmental Trends/Indicators
- Other